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The Customs for the first quarter of the present year shows that trade has been fairly brisk during that period. The total collection of duties and taxes at the nineteenth Treaty Ports amounted to Tls. 4,163,381 as against Tls. 3,994,138 in the corresponding quarter of 1899 and Tls. 3,793,896 in 1880. The collections at Kowloon, Lappa, Meng-tzu, and Lungchow also show an increase. Dealing with the ports were immediately in trade relations with this Colony we find that at Canton the revenue was Tls. 777,942, as compared with Tls. 513,054 in the first quarter of 1899 and Tls. 494,132 in 1880. This increase was spread over all the items with the exception of coast trade duty, which was Tls. 15,445 as against Tls. 15,601 last year and Tls. 16,111 in 1880. Import duty was Tls. 55,771 as against Tls. 52,402 in 1899 and Tls. 44,292 in 1880; export duty Tls. 145,901 as against Tls. 127,075 in 1899 and Tls. 107,172 in 1880; opium duty Tls. 95,759 as against Tls. 84,901 in 1899 and Tls. 85,249 in 1880, opium lekin showing a corresponding increase; and tonnage dues rose from Tls. 2,791 in 1889 and Tls. 3,076 in 1890 to Tls. 5,238 in 1891. A noticeable feature is that transit duties amounted to Tls. 4,408 as against the nominal sum of Tls. 3 in the corresponding quarter of last year and nothing in the previous year. In the October-December quarter of 1899 the amount collected under this head was Tls. 5,339 and in the July-September quarter Tls. 418. It would seem, therefore, that the transit pass system is making good its footing at Canton; and that its advantages are becoming appreciated by traders. Turning to details of the imports, we find that the import of opium of all kinds during the quarter was 3,194 piculs as against 2,838 piculs in the corresponding quarter of 1899 and 2,990 piculs in 1880. Of opium goods there were imported 24,051 piculs, as against 20,084 in 1890 and 14,898 in 1889. Woolen goods sum up to 8,769 piculs as against 8,044 last year and 8,125 in 1889. In metals there is a decrease as compared with last year but an increase as compared with 1889, the figures being 13,598 piculs in 1891, 15,905 piculs in 1890, and 11,263 piculs in 1889. The chief item under the head of metals is lead, which was imported to the amount of 11,943 piculs during the last quarter as against 15,100 piculs in the corresponding quarter of last year and 11,263 piculs in 1889. Amongst the sundries we notice an increase in the import of American flour, the quantity for the quarter under notice being 29,779 piculs as against 26,693 piculs last year and 18,337 piculs in 1889. Matches show a large increase, 84,654 gross having been imported as against 69,102 gross in the corresponding quarter of last year and 48,676 gross in 1889.

The Kowloon returns, however, show a large decrease in this item, so that the increase at Canton would seem to be due to a change of route rather than to an increase in consumption. The principal contributor to the increased revenue from export duty was silk, of which 5,765 piculs were shipped as against 4,669 piculs and 2,074 piculs in the corresponding quarters of the two preceding years.

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 5700, C. O. A.
 3, Dowell, Cor. 11 & 12
 500, Edw. Cor. 11 & 15,
 425, H. C. & M. Stearns
 290, Waddilow, May 1,
 & Co., for Shanghai
 235, Lloyd, Butterfield
 1,054, Bro. & June 29,
 Co., for Vancouver
 14, G. S. Taylor, H.
 for Canton
 1,000, Knights, Mar. 12,
 Canton
 1,001, W. E. Clancy,
 238, A. Craibshank,
 554, Thomas, May 30,
 290, A. Benson, May 20,
 1,658, Fowler, May 31,
 4, Hundtall, May 27,
 1,115, Colclough, May 31
 1,005, Blackburn, May 30
 1,000, Reichhorn, May 24,
 1,017, J. Jenkins, May 30,
 China, for Canton
 1,021, Watson, May 31,
 for Bangkok
 117, Stogin, H. & W.
 12, S. W. G. & Co., H. G.
 for Canton
 1,638, Corrie, May 28,
 1,044, Price, May 31,
 for Tientsin
 Tele. str., Peterson, May
 39, Golomoloi, April 12,
 1,009, Anderson, May 27,
 1,576, Breitang, May 24,
 820, Hunter, May 31,
 Co., for Tientsin
 1,014, J. Brin, May 27,
 1,016, A. Ott, May 25,
 887, Fremont, May 27,
 & Co., for Manila
VESSELS.
 1,378, Carlson, Mar. 6,
 San Francisco
 48, C. Hansen, April 7,
 4, 743, Jesson, May 26,
 1,103, Dikin, April 30,
 Co., for New York
 1,187, Garland, May 19,
 1,423, G. Hooslop,
 Co., for Hamburg
 788, E. Nelson, Apr. 21,
 1,000, Doo. 2 Black
 5, Christensen, Apr. 26,
 1,438, Wadlin, May 24,
 1,700, Shepherd, May 28,
 1,113, Oates, April 28,
 & Co., for New York
 1,000, A. V. Brown, May 23,
 sch. 245, A. Manisgin,
 1,437, Burnham, April 21,
 San Francisco
 49, L. Martin, May 26,
NOTES.
 1st May, 1891.
 440, Watterell, May 28,
 457, H. Cook, May 22,
 str. 1,810, Soomer, May
 280, Boyson, May 27,
 289, Woodlidge, May 26,
 630, Finlayson, May 23,
 66, Bitts, May 27,
REGHAIL.
 1st May, 1891.
 1st ship 1,817, Wright,
 Lomochefsky, May 23,
 1,548, Dextor, May 23,
 55, Jonsson, May 22,
 1,001, Reeves, May 18,
 294, Warren, May 25,
 290, Waddilow, May 24,
 863, Wallace, May 21,
 24, Soothall, May 21,
 017, Wells, May 23,
 930, Arthur, May 24,
 606, Gehrk, May 18,
 48, May 24, Jardine,
 99, Newman, May 18,
 1,192, Logan, Apr. 6,
 823, Neeves, May 21,
 500, Bartlett, May 24,
 048, Young, May 24,
 1, Duncas, May 24,
 387, Shaw, May 25,
 210, Long, May 25,
 11, Purkin, May 25,
 Co.
 2, F. Schals, May 25,
 1,812, Lee, May 25,
 1, Ferlie, May 24, C.
 15, E. Crow, May 14,
 24, Snodden, May 18,
 2, Schuchmann, May 19,
 1, Delacroix, May 19,
 21, Jerswood, May 21, Jerswood,
 Cummings, May 24,
 334, J. Will, May 24,
 Sutherland, May 28,
 2, W. Warren, Sutter
 1, V. D. Warren, Sutter
 1, V. D. Warren, Sutter